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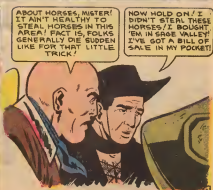
LASH LARUE

LASH HAD BOUGHT A HERD OF HORSES FOR THE GOVERNMENT CAVALRY...AND THAT'S WHEN THE TROUBLE STARTED! INSTEAD OF JUST BUYING HORSES HE'D ALSO BOUGHT A HEAP OF TROUBLE, THE KIND OF TROUBLE THAT ENDS IN BOOT HILL!

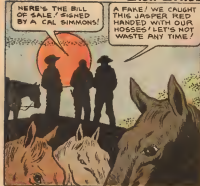
DOUBLE DEAL!



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LASH LA RUE WESTERN



HERE'S THE BILL OF SALE, SIGNED BY A CAL SIMMONS!

A FAKE! WE CAUGHT THIS JASPER RED HANDED WITH OUR HORSES! LET'S NOT WASTE ANY TIME!

I'D BE SURE OF WHAT I WAS DOIN' MISTER! I CAN TAKE YOU TO THE MAN WHO SOLD ME THOSE HORSES!

I THINK WE OUGHTTA GIVE THIS GENT A CHANCE! MAYBE HE IS TELLIN' THE TRUTH! IF HE IS, WE'D NOT REST NIGHTS IF WE DONE HIM IN! LEAD THE WAY, MISTER!



LEAVING THE HORSE HERD UNDER THE GUARD OF OTHER MEN, JOSH AND BALDY RODE WITH LASH TOWARD SAGE VALLEY!



JUST DON'T TRY ANY TRICKS MISTER! YOU AIN'T ARMED AN' WE ARE!

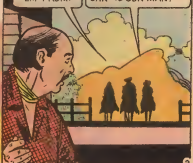
THERE'S THE PLACE! THAT RANCH! I BOUGHT THE HERD THERE!

WAL, LET'S GIT DOWN THERE THEN!

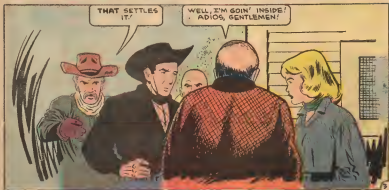


THERE'S THE MAN I BOUGHT 'EM FROM!

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LASH'S EYES WERE ON THE HOUSE AS DUNFREY AND HIS DAUGHTER VANISHED INSIDE! HIS BROW WRINKLED IN PUZZLEMENT!

I...I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT!

WE DO! YUH TRIED TO PULL A RAINAHAN BUT IT DIDN'T WORK! LET'S GO!



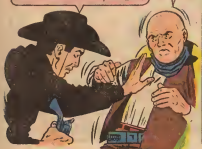
WAIT A MINUTE! THAT MAN ON THE PORCH...

THAT'S BRAD DUNFREY! NOW DON'T TRY ANY MORE TRICKS!



DUNFREY HAD ON A CHECKERED SHIRT...THIS MAN HAD ON A BLACK ONE! HE COULDN'T HAVE CHANGED THAT FAST! I'LL TAKE MY GUN, FRIEND!

HEY! WHA..



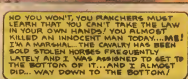
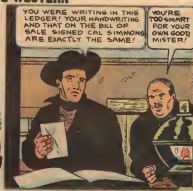
AFTER HIM! QUICK!



LIKE I FIGURED! THERE'S TWO OF YOU! IF YOU DIDN'T SELL ME THOSE HORSES, THEN THIS OTHER GENT DID!

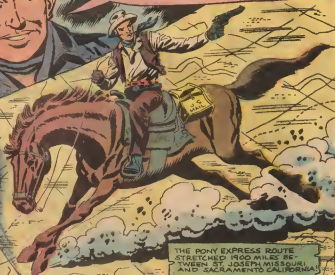


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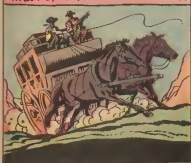
HOWDY, PARTNERS! GATHER AROUND, AND YOU'LL HEAR HOW THE MAIL WAS DELIVERED WHEN THE WEST WAS STILL WILD...!



THE PONY EXPRESS ROUTE STRETCHED 1900 MILES BETWEEN ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI AND SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA!

MASTRO SPEDIO

STAGECOACHES TRAVELLING THAT ROUTE TOOK 24 DAYS FROM START TO FINISH... BUT BY PONY EXPRESS LESS THAN 10!



SUCH BREAKNECK SPEED TOOK A HEAP OF DOING, AND HERE'S HOW IT WAS DONE!... NO RIDER WEIGHED MORE THAN 125 LBS! WHEN THEY SIGNED UP IT WAS UNDERSTOOD THEY'D RIDE IN ANY WEATHER, SUN OR SNOW... AND RIGHT AROUND THE CLOCK!



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ALL THEIR GEAR WAS DESIGNED FOR SPEED! THEY WORE THE LIGHTEST CLOTHING THAT COULD BE BOUGHT! EVEN THEIR HATS WERE STREAMLINED! THERE WERE 80 OF THESE RIDERS!



...AND THEY HAD FROM FOUR TO FIVE HUNDRED MUSTANGS AT THEIR DISPOSAL! THE MUSTANGS TRAVELED LIGHT TOO...WITH TINY BLANKETLESS RACING SADDLES, AND EITHER LIGHT IRON SHOES, OR NO SHOES AT ALL!

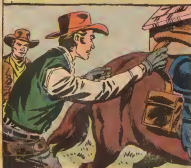


THE MAIL WAS CARRIED IN A SMALL FLAT BOOK-SIZED LEATHER PACKET ATTACHED TO THE SADDLE!

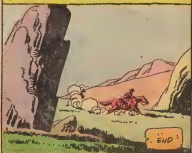
THE MUSTANGS WERE KEPT AT 290 RE-LAY STATIONS ALONG THE ROUTE! THE JOB OF THE STATION-MEN WAS TO SEE THAT A FRESH MOUNT WAS SADDLED AND READY TO GO WHEN AN APPROACHING RIDER BLEW HIS HORN!



TWO MINUTES WAS THE TIME ALLOTTED FOR A CHANGE-OVER!



AND THEN THE PONY EXPRESS RIDER WAS OFF AGAIN, HEADED AT BREAKNECK SPEED FOR THE NEXT STATION 10 MILES AWAY!



END

LASH LARUE WESTERN

THROUGHOUT THE LENGTH AND BREADTH OF THE WYOMING TERRITORY WEB MASON SWAGGERED! HE WAS AN OUTLAW, A FAST GUNHAWK, A GIANT OF A MAN WITH TREMENDOUS STRENGTH AND GREAT GUN SKILL WHOM ALL MEN FEARED..... EXCEPT ONE!

BEHIND A SIXGUN

TELL FOLKS WEB MASON WAS HERE....AN' LEFT HIS TRADE-MARK!

WYO
BAN

BAM!
CRACK!
CRACK!

WEB MASON RODE OUT OF TOWN LAUGHING...A LAUGH THAT CAME FROM HIS MOUTH BUT NEVER GOT TO HIS COLD, NARROWED EYES!



AND THERE WAS A MAN, SCOTT CARDY, WHO LOOKED AT WEB'S TRADEMARK!

MY...MY BROTHER!



HE WORKED IN THE BANK! HE WAS NEAT, QUIET, INDUSTRIOUS! HE WAS A MAN WHO HAD NEVER KNOWN VIOLENCE!

WHY DID YOU LET THIS OUT-LAW DO THIS? WHY DIDN'T YOU STOP HIM?

IT WAS WEB MASON DONE IT! COULDN'T STOP HIM IF WE TRIED!



LASH LARUE WESTERN

WHY ISN'T THERE ANY LAW TO STOP A MAN LIKE THAT?

LAW AIN'T COME TO THIS SECTION YET, SCOTT! MEN LIKE WEB ARE THE RESULT OF NO LAW! HE'S DYNAMITE AN' SNAKE POISON!



HE TURNED AWAY THEN, A SMALL, SLIGHT MAN... AS SMALL AND SLIGHT AS WEB MASON WAS HUGE AND POWERFUL!



HE WENT TO HIS HOTEL ROOM! MINUTES LATER HE EMERGED AND WENT TO THE STABLE!

SCOTT, YOU SHOULDN'T OUGHTTA WEAR A GUN! ONLY WEAR IT IF YOU KNOW HOW TO USE IT!



I INTEND TO LEARN HOW TO USE IT!



MEN WATCHED HIM AS HE RODE OUT OF TOWN!

THAT'S HIS BROTHER'S RUN HE'S WEARIN'!

WONDER WHAT HE'S UP TO?



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AT HIS LONELY CAMPFIRES HE PRACTICED DRAWING AND SHOOTING, AND SOON HE KNEW IN HIS HEART THAT HE'D NEVER BE MORE THAN MEDIOCRE FOR VIOLENCE AND ITS TOOLS WERE NOT FOR HIM!



THIS HE ACCEPTED AND ROSE ON, MAKING HIS INQUIRIES IN EVERY TOWN!



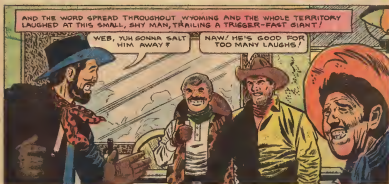
I'M LOOKING FOR WEB MASON!

YOU'RE LOOKING FOR... HA! HA! HA! THAT'S A GOOD ONE!

AND THE WORD SPREAD THROUGHOUT WYOMING AND THE WHOLE TERRITORY LAUGHED AT THIS SMALL, SHY MAN, TRAILING A TRIGGER-FAST GIANT!

WEB, YUH GONNA SALT HIM AWAY?

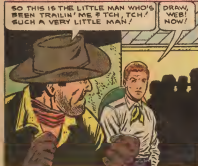
NAW! HE'S GOOD FOR TOO MANY LAUGHS!



THEN IN COPPERTOWN, SCOTT CARDY CAUGHT UP WITH THE OUTLAW!

SO THIS IS THE LITTLE MAN WHO'S BEEN TRAILIN' ME? TCH, TCH! SUCH A VERY LITTLE MAN!

DRAW, WEB! NOW!



THE BIG MAN COULD MOVE WITH THE QUICKNESS OF A HUNTING PUMA... AND HE MOVED THAT WAY THEN!

A LITTLE MAN SHOULDN'T PLAY WITH GUNS, BEIN' SLOW LIKE THAT! RECKON I BETTER TEACH YUH MANNERS!



LASH LA RUE WESTERN

WEB RODE OUT OF COPPERTOWN GRINNING!

PASSED OUT ' CARRY HIM TO MY OFFICE!



SCOTT LAY QUIETLY, NOT SAYING A WORD WHILE HIS RIBS HEALED!

LITTLE CUSS! MUST HAVE GUTS OR HE WOULDN'T HAVE BRACED WEB THAT WAY!

I RECKON HE WON'T TRY IT AGAIN!



WHEN HIS RIBS HEALED SCOTT BUCKLED ON HIS GUN AND RODE OUT AGAIN ON THE TRAIL OF WEB MASON! IN BOONSVILLE HE FOUND HIM AGAIN!

FINALLY SCOTT CLEARED HIS GUN FROM THE HOLSTER.... AND WEB DREW!

THIS TIME I'M NOT ALLOWING YOU TO GET CLOSE ENOUGH TO LAY HANDS ON ME!

WAL, IF IT AIN'T THE LITTLE MAN ...FUMBLIN' FOR HIS GUN!



TCH! TCH! LITTLE MAN YOU MUST'VE TAKEN LESSONS FROM A TURTLE!



BUT I'M GETTIN' A LITTLE TIRED OF YOU CAMPIN' ON MY TRAIL! NEXT TIME I WON'T FOOL! YUH HEAR?



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UNDER THE LOCAL DOCTOR'S CARE SCOTT'S BROKEN JAW EVENTUALLY HEALED!

RECKON YOU'RE AS GOOD AS NEW AGAIN? BE HEADIN' HOME NOW I EXPECT?



BUT THE DOCTOR WAS WRONG! WITHOUT A WORD SCOTT RODE OUT ON WEB'S TRAIL AGAIN! AND HE FOUND HIM A MONTH LATER!

I WARNED YUH, LITTLE MAN! NOW I'M GONNA PUT YUH AWAY FOR KEEPS!



WEB, ARROGANT IN HIS KNOWN SUPERIORITY, DREW CARELESSLY...

DANCE TO-NITE



AND SCOTT, KNOWING HIS SHORT COMINGS, TOOK DELIBERATE AIM.... AND SHOT!

WEB, YOU'RE WANTED BY THE LAW IN OTHER STATES! I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU THERE AND SEE THAT YOU'RE PUT BEHIND BARS, LIKE THE ANIMAL YOU ARE!



A LITTLE MAN, ORDINARY, WITH ALL THE MISGIVINGS MAN IS HEIR TO, BY WILL AND DOGGEDNESS HAD WON OVER THE BIG, SUPERIOR MAN! HOW?

THE WHOLE WEST IS ASKIN' HOW HE DID IT! I GUESS THE ANSWER ISN'T THAT ALL MEN ARE EQUAL BEHIND A SIX-GUN! IT ALL DEPENDS ON WHAT'S INSIDE THE MAN WHO HOLDS THE GUN!



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LASH LARUE

in **TARGET**

A PRISONER WAS BEING HELD IN THE OILA JAIL, A MAN LASH LARUE HAD TAKEN! LASH WAS THE ONLY WITNESS AGAINST THE PRISONER JED BOWER, AND THAT FACT MADE HIM THE TARGET FOR HIRED GUNMEN'S LEAD!



LASH LARUE WESTERN

THIS IS THE THIRD ATTEMPT ON MY LIFE IN TWO DAYS!

I'VE GOT A HUNCH IT'S BECAUSE YOU'RE THE ONLY WITNESS AGAINST JED BOWER!



AN' IF MY HUNCH IS RIGHT THEY'LL MAKE THEIR BIG TRY FOR YUH BETWEEN TODAY AN' TOMORROW MORNIN' WHEN COURT OPENS!

THAT MAN BOWER ROBBED MY BANK AN' I AIM TO SEE HIM HANG--ESPECIALLY SINCE HE WON'T TELL WHERE THE MONEY IS!



ALL HE'S ADMITTED IS HE HAD AN ACCOMPLICE, BUT WON'T NAME HIM! SAYS HIS ACCOMPLICE'LL FIX IT SO HE GETS FREE, OR ELSE HE'LL NAME THE MAN!

BY THE WAY MR. DRURY YOU'VE BEEN INCITIN FOLKS AGAINST THE PRISONER... TRYIN' TO MAKE THEM TAKE HIM FROM THE LAW!



MOB VIOLENCE SETTLES NOTHIN'! I'M SURPRISED AT A MAN OF YOUR POSITION ACTIN' THAT WAY!

EVERYBODY'S ON EDGE SINCE THE BANK WAS ROBBED AN' BOWER TAKEN. COME ON, LASH, LET'S PALAVER WITH HIM AGAIN!



JED, YUH READY TO TALK, TO TELL US WHO WAS IN THAT BANK JOB WITH YUH AN' WHERE THE MONEY IS?

I AIN'T TALKIN'!

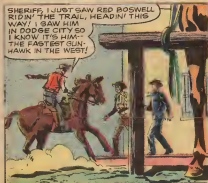
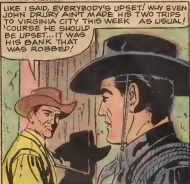


JED, WHOEVER WAS IN IT WITH YOU IS TRYIN' TO GET ME SO I CAN'T TESTIFY AGAINST YOU AN' THE CASE WILL BE THROWN OUT OF COURT FOR LACK OF EVIDENCE... RIGHT?

I AIN'T TALKIN'!



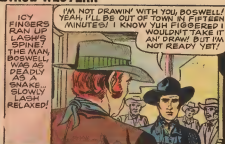
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HOLD IT, LARUE! I'M CALLIN' YUH! BE OUT OF TOWN IN FIFTEEN MINUTES OR DRAW NOW! GO ON, DRAW! IF YUH AIN'T YELLER!



ICY FINGERS RAN UP LASH'S SPINE! THE MAN, BOSWELL, WAS AS DEADLY AS A SNAKE... SLOWLY LASH RELAXED!

I'M NOT DRAWIN' WITH YOU, BOSWELL! YEAH, I'LL BE OUT OF TOWN IN FIFTEEN MINUTES! I KNOW YUH FIGGERED I WOULDN'T TAKE IT AN' DRAW! BUT I'M NOT READY YET!

LASH WALKED AWAY AND DISAPPEARED IN THE TOWN STABLES. A MURMER WENT THRU THE CROWD...



NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE THE DAY LASH'D BACK DOWN FROM ANY MAN! DON'T BLAME HIM, THO... FACIN' BOSWELL IS SUICIDE!

IT AIN'T LIKE LASH TO BACK DOWN FROM ANY MAN! I DON'T GET IT!



A FEW MINUTES LATER...

LASH! I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T BACK OUT!

DAN, TAKE THIS BOX! I'M RIDIN' OUT!



BUT I'LL BE BACK BEFORE NIGHT!

LASH, YOU'RE FAST, BUT BOSWELL'S CONSIDERED THE BEST! I'LL GET SOME MEN AN' BACK YUH...



NO, DAN! LIKE I SAID, I'LL DO THIS MY WAY--ALL THE WAY! SEE YOU LATER! I'VE WORK TO DO!

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SHADOWS WERE LENGTHENING IN THE STREETS OF GILA AS LASH RODE BACK IN!

THERE ARE PAPERS IN MY SADDLEBAGS! READ THEM AN' WHAT YOU'LL FIND IN THAT BOX I LEFT YUH IN CASE I'M A MITE SLOWER THAN BOSWELL!

I WARNED YA, LARUE! DRAW!



LASH TWISTED SIDWAYS AND DREW! BOSWELL'S FAST DRAW WAS WASTED! THEN LASH FIRED...



THEN BEFORE BOSWELL COULD SHOOT WITH HIS OTHER HAND, LASH'S WHIP CRACKED OUT!

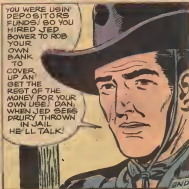


YOU'RE THRU, BOSWELL! THIS'LL CRUSH YOUR PRIDE, BEIN' BEATEN THIS WAY! NOW JOHN DRURY WON'T HAVE TO PAY YOU YOUR BLOOD MONEY!



WHAT'S THAT? WHAT ARE YOU INFERRING, LARUE?

NOBODY BUT A BANKER'D HAVE THE IDEA OR THE MONEY TO HIRE A HIGH-PRICED ASSASSIN LIKE BOSWELL! I CHECKED IN VIRGINIA CITY AN' FOUND YOU'D LOST PLENTY MONEY THERE AT POKER!



YOU WERE USIN' DEPOSITORS FUNDS! SO YOU HIRED JED BOWER TO ROB YOUR OWN BANK TO COVER UP AN' GET THE REST OF THE MONEY FOR YOUR OWN USE! DAN, WHEN JED SEES DRURY THROWN IN JAIL HE'LL TALK!

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"In the matter of names, Indians are a very peculiar people. A man may have a dozen names, or no name at all. He may name himself or be named by his companions. The male child is called by some diminutive or pet name, sometimes expressive of the pride and affection of the father. This is his name in his own family. By others he is spoken of as "the son of so-and-so," or he may be given a name by his boy companions, either in admiration or derision.

All the world knows the fondness of boys for bestowing nicknames, and the Indian boy is no exception. But, a nickname to stick, must be palpably applicable or appropriate to the character or some peculiarity of the person named. At a school or college a fourth or possibly half of each class will have nicknames. You would think at once of such nicknames as "Red", "Shorty" or "Smarty."

So the nicknames given by Indian boys do not always stick. And I have met several full grown warriors who have no names and are known only as their father's sons. On his initiation as a warrior, he has the right to name himself. And from this time he has the right, and it is the custom, to change his name after every successful raid or expedition — each change of name being expressive of the fullest appreciation of his own importance and exploits.

These names are intended to be expressive of some particular action or situation, and are generally adapted to a real or fancied resemblance of the actor to the known habits of animals or birds with which they are familiar. Thus a warrior, who had brought to bay and beaten off his enemies, names himself the "Standing Bull." Another who made a dash on a camp and carried off a prisoner, calls himself the "Eagle." Yet another who goes off alone and prowls among the enemy's camp and returns with stories of his success, names himself "Lone Wolf."

The paint used on all these expeditions has more or less potent influence on the "medicine"

and the Indian does not forget it. So the most common names, therefore among Indians, are those indicating some animal or material object as a sort of surname. While the color with which he had bedecked himself furnishes the first, or what we would call the Christian name: as, "Yellow Bear," "White Eagle," "Black Beaver" or "Red Dog."

But these changes of names, though gratifying to his own vanity, are not always accepted by his companions or the tribe generally. Even the most renown warrior cannot always control the disposition to ridicule or oickname, which the Indians possess in a remarkable degree. And however he may name himself, he is likely to be addressed, known, spoken of by the people of the tribe by an entirely different name.

Any personal defect or mark of character, or casual incident furnishing ground for a good story, is eagerly seized upon as a fit name. "Powder Face," the war chief of the Arrapahoes, has won in well fought combats and desperate ventures, the right to adopt a dozen names. Yet he is known to all Plaiio tribes and to the white by the title which was given him from having his face burned by an explosion of powder when he was a young man. "Man-afraid-of-his-horse," received, it is said, his name from having on the occasion of an attack on his camp by hostile Indians of saving his horses but leaving his family in the hands of the enemy!

Girls are named by their mothers, and frequently have fanciful titles indicating something that the mother may think worthy of commemoration. This name in the family is liable to be lengthened by affectionate diminutives or contracted into a nickname. But it is not changed as are the names of the boys.

Married women do not take the names of their husbands or change their names in any way. There are no equivalents for Mr. or Mrs. And in her name, title, or designation, there is nothing to show whether a woman is married or single. When on the reservations, or thrown into close contact with whites, the Indian is prone to adopt some "white" name. So that at every military post near a reservation there can always be found a lot of "Jims," "Bills," "Franks" or "Tonys."

Almost every river, creek, spring, permanent water hole, mountain, or prominent landmark, has a name given to it. Not only by the tribe in whose country it is, but also by those who

raid into the country. In most cases they are named from some peculiarity, incident, or adventure. These names in the soft language of the Dakotas are oftentimes very beautiful. "Minni" in this language means water. "Minni-ha-ha" is laughing or frolicsome water. Given to all falls and cascades. "Minni-cot-ta" is "warm water." And one of the bands takes its name from the fact that it was once nearly destroyed by a waterspout. "Minni-conjou" means "drowned with water."

In some cases, the striking and beautiful Indian names are retained, but in the large majority of instances the names on the map and by which they are known to the whites are usually crude translations of the Indian names. Or such others as happen to suggest themselves to the army officer who first makes the survey of the country. The consequence is that the maps are crowded with "Sand Creeks," "Deer Creeks," or "Walnut Creeks."

A curious and interesting story was told to me by an old Mexican concerning the name of what is known on our map as "Purgatory River." When Spain owned all Mexico and Florida, the Commanding Officer at Santa Fe received an order to open communications with Florida. An Infantry Regiment was selected for this duty. It started rather late in the season, and wintered at a place which has been a town ever since. It is now known as Trinidad. In the spring, the Colonel left behind the wives of the soldiers. Then he and his men marched down the stream which flows for many miles through a magnificent canyon. Not one of the regiment returned, or was ever heard of after their fate being shrouded in complete mystery.

When all hope had departed from the wives and the children left behind in Trinidad, information was sent to Santa Fe. Then a wail went up through the land. The people called this stream, "El Rio de las animas perdidas." Or in our language it would be, "The River of Lost Souls." And whenever anyone wanted to know the origin of the name, they told them the story about the missing soldiers.

Years later, the Spanish power was weakened in this territory. Canadian French trappers began to go throughout the territory. They

changed the name of the river. Why? Since the place of lost souls is Purgatory, they called the river "Le Purgatoire." And that was what it was known for a period of years.

Then came the "Great American Bullwhackers." Their loaded wagons pulled by oxen opened an enormous trade between Santa Fe and St. Louis. The trail became a path, the path became a road, and you heard our American language being spoken. When these men asked the name of the river, they were given the French name: "Le Purgatoire." They tried their best to twist the tongue to pronounce that word but it didn't come out "Le Purgatoire." It came out something that sounded like "Picketwire." And by this name it was known to all the frontiersmen and to the settlers on its bank. But suppose they had been asked the origin of "Picketwire?" What would they have answered?

As a rule each tribe has its own name for the large rivers of the plains, although some are said to have names common to all those tribes who live near or occasionally visit them. The following are some Cheyenne names of the larger Plain streams:

English name	Cheyenne name	Translation
Kansas	Mi-on-i-on	Bluff
Arkansas	Mit-sun	Big
Cimarron	Ho-to-oa-oa	Buffalo
North Fork	Ho-ne-o	Wolf
Canadian	Mai-om	Red
Washita	O-ke-a-a	Lodge-pole.

Every white man of consequence with whom the Indian came into contact, secured a name suggested by his occupation or some personal authority. The commanding officer of a post was always, "The Big Chief." The Quartermaster was called, "Mule Chief." The Commissary was called, "Chuck-Chief." On his campaigns with and against Indians, General Crook always wore a full suit of gray. So he was known to the Indians as "Gray Fox."

Some time when we meet again I will tell you more about my Indian friends.

We leave the Colonel now and if possible we will return again soon perhaps to hear of some of his adventures in our Young West.

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THE LASSO IS A NECESSARY PART OF EQUIPMENT! THE SADDLE IS HIS WORKBENCH, THE PRAIRIE HIS HOME! THE BULLWHIP CAN COME IN MIGHTY HANDY TOO... FOR ME PARTICULARLY! NO, THE COWBOY HADN'T CHANGED MUCH SINCE THE TIME HE FIRST MADE HIS APPEARANCE!



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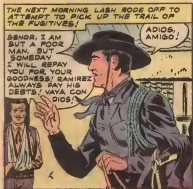
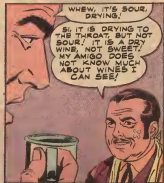
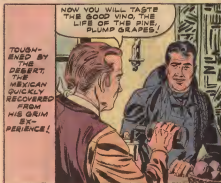
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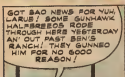
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HE PUSHED HIS HORSE TO THE UTMOST!

NO HORSES THERE! THEY'VE GONE... THEY'VE BEATEN ME!

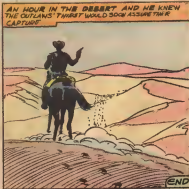
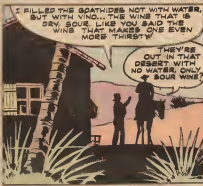


AMIGO, THEY WERE HERE, THE TWO HALF-BREEDS? THEY GOT WATER AND HEADED TO THE DESERT? HOW LONG AGO?

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